

**Senate File 188 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE 188  
BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 120)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act prohibiting a governing board of a public college or  
2 university from adopting or enforcing any policy or rule  
3 that prohibits a person from carrying, transporting, or  
4 possessing a dangerous weapon producing a nonprojectile  
5 high-voltage pulse designed to immobilize a person in the  
6 buildings or on the grounds of such a college or university.  
7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1     Section 1. NEW SECTION.   **260C.14A Limitation on authority —**  
2 **nonprojectile high-voltage pulse weapons designed to immobilize.**

3     The board of directors of a community college shall comply  
4 with the requirements of section 724.8A regarding policies and  
5 rules relating to the carrying, transportation, or possession  
6 of a dangerous weapon that directs an electric current,  
7 impulse, wave, or beam that produces a high-voltage pulse  
8 designed to immobilize a person in the buildings or on the  
9 grounds of the community college, as long as such a dangerous  
10 weapon does not generate a projectile that directs an electric  
11 current, impulse, wave, or beam that produces a high-voltage  
12 pulse designed to immobilize a person, and such a dangerous  
13 weapon is not used in the commission of a public offense.

14    Sec. 2. NEW SECTION.   **262.9D Limitation on authority —**  
15 **nonprojectile high-voltage pulse weapons designed to immobilize.**

16    The state board of regents shall comply with the  
17 requirements of section 724.8A regarding policies and rules  
18 relating to the carrying, transportation, or possession of a  
19 dangerous weapon that directs an electric current, impulse,  
20 wave, or beam that produces a high-voltage pulse designed to  
21 immobilize a person in the buildings or on the grounds of a  
22 university under the control of the state board of regents, as  
23 long as such a dangerous weapon does not generate a projectile  
24 that directs an electric current, impulse, wave, or beam that  
25 produces a high-voltage pulse designed to immobilize a person,  
26 and such a dangerous weapon is not used in the commission of a  
27 public offense.

28    Sec. 3. NEW SECTION.   **724.8A Limitation on authority —**  
29 **nonprojectile high-voltage pulse weapons designed to immobilize**  
30 **— public universities and community colleges.**

31    The governing board of a university under the control of  
32 the state board of regents as provided in chapter 262, or  
33 a community college under the jurisdiction of a board of  
34 directors for a merged area as provided in chapter 260C shall  
35 not adopt or enforce any policy or rule that prohibits the

1 carrying, transportation, or possession of a dangerous weapon  
 2 that directs an electric current, impulse, wave, or beam  
 3 that produces a high-voltage pulse designed to immobilize a  
 4 person in the buildings or on the grounds of such a college  
 5 or university, as long as such a dangerous weapon does not  
 6 generate a projectile that directs an electric current,  
 7 impulse, wave, or beam that produces a high-voltage pulse  
 8 designed to immobilize a person, and such a dangerous weapon is  
 9 not used in the commission of a public offense.

10 EXPLANATION

11 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
 12 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

13 Under current law, Code section 724.4(4)(1) allows a person  
 14 who is 18 years of age or older to go armed with a dangerous  
 15 weapon that directs an electric current, impulse, wave, or beam  
 16 that produces a high-voltage pulse designed to immobilize a  
 17 person, as long as such a dangerous weapon does not generate a  
 18 projectile that directs an electric current, impulse, wave, or  
 19 beam that produces a high-voltage pulse designed to immobilize  
 20 a person, and such a dangerous weapon is not used in the  
 21 commission of a public offense.

22 This bill provides that the governing board of a university  
 23 under the control of the state board of regents as provided in  
 24 Code chapter 262, or a community college under the jurisdiction  
 25 of a board of directors for a merged area as provided in Code  
 26 chapter 260C shall not adopt or enforce any policy or rule  
 27 that prohibits the carrying, transportation, or possession of  
 28 a dangerous weapon that directs an electric current, impulse,  
 29 wave, or beam that produces a high-voltage pulse designed to  
 30 immobilize a person in the buildings or on the grounds of  
 31 such a college or university, as long as such a dangerous  
 32 weapon does not generate a projectile that directs an electric  
 33 current, impulse, wave, or beam that produces a high-voltage  
 34 pulse designed to immobilize a person, and such a dangerous  
 35 weapon is not used in the commission of a public offense.